

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) Ventilation tubing comprising, as seen from the inside to the outside, a bush, an insulating layer and a cover sheet characterized in that the insulating layer is a quartz-fiber wool, wherein the bush (1) and/or the cover sheet (3) is a plastic sheet having a weave of interlaced filaments.

2. (currently amended) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the thickness of said quartz fiber wool is between 6 and 15 mm ~~and in particular between 8 and 11 mm.~~

3. (currently amended) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said quartz fiber wool exhibits a specific surface weight between 65 and 150 g/m² ~~and in particular between 80 and 100 g/m².~~

4. (previously presented) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the density of said quartz fiber wool is between 10 and 20 kg/m³.

5. canceled

6. (currently amended) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim [[5]] 1, characterized in that the specific surface weight of said plastic sheet is substantially between 30 and 65 g/m² and its thickness is substantially between 10 and 15 μ (microns).

7. (previously presented) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it comprises a plastic winding (5, 6, 7) helically enclosing the bush and bonded to it by a flame-resistant adhesive.

8. (currently amended) Ventilation tubing comprising, as seen from the inside to the outside, a bush, an insulating layer and a cover sheet characterized in that the insulating layer is a quartz-fiber wool, wherein a plastic winding (5, 6, 7) helically encloses the bush and is bonded to the bush by a flame-resistant adhesive, and
~~Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that the winding is a filament (6) of which the diameter is between 1 and 2 mm.~~

9. (currently amended) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that the winding (7) exhibits a specific cross-sectional geometry of which [[the]] a substantially planar base (8, 11) makes contact with the bush.

10. (original) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that said winding is an I-bar.

11. (currently amended) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that said quartz fiber wool exhibits a specific surface weight between 65 and 150 g/m² and in particular between 80 and 100 g/m².

12. (previously presented) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the density of said quartz fiber wool is between 10 and 20 kg/m³.

13. (new) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the thickness of said quartz fiber wool is between 8 and 11 mm.

14. (new) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that said specific surface weight is between 80 and 100 g/m².

15. (new) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 11, characterized in that said specific surface weight is between 80 and 100 g/m².

16. (new) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 1, wherein the plastic sheet is a sheet of polyvinyl fluoride.

17. (new) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 1, wherein the weave of interlaced filaments is a grid of polyamide filaments.

18. (new) Ventilation tubing as claimed in claim 16, wherein the weave of interlaced filaments is a grid of polyamide filaments.